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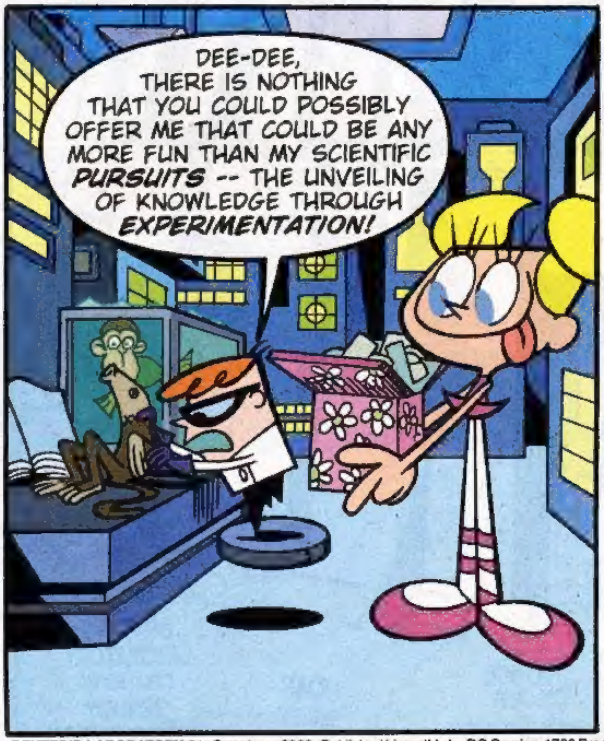

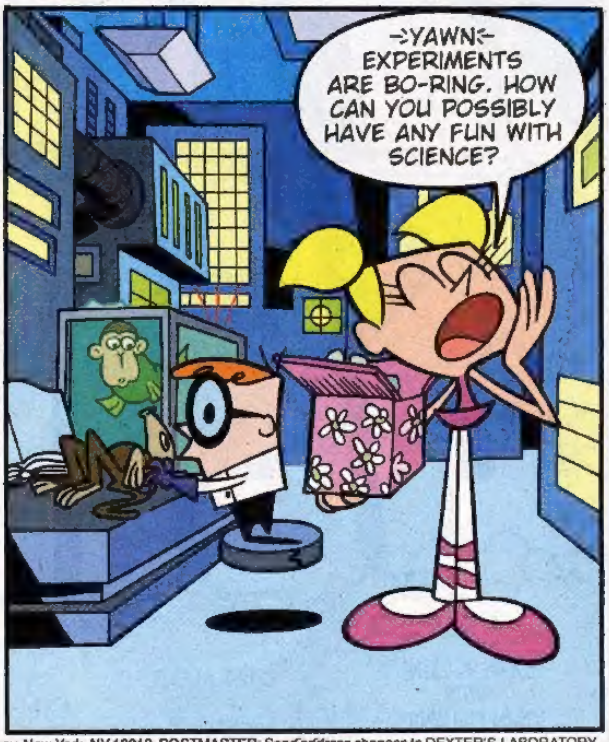

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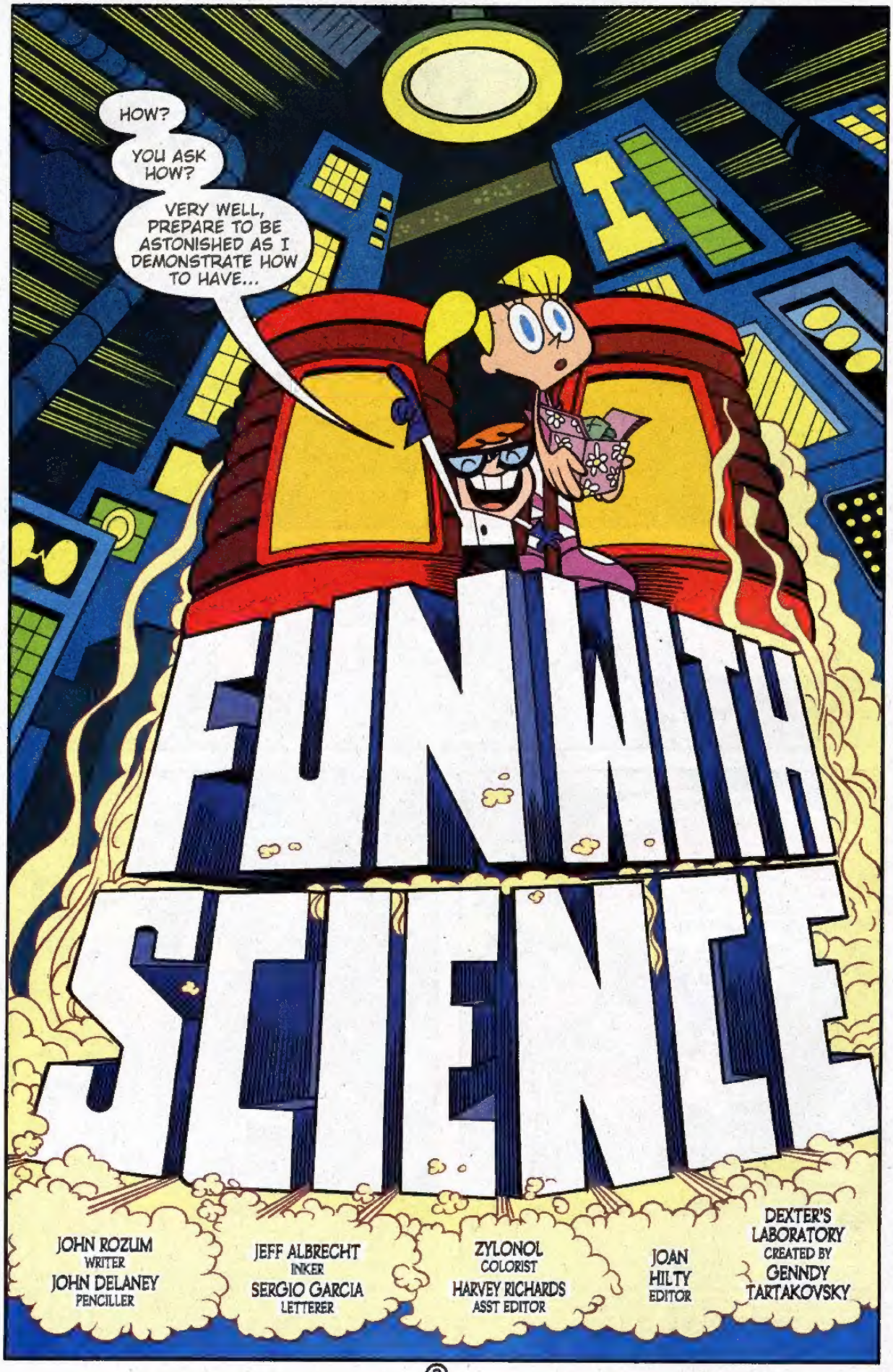
HOW?
YOU ASK HOW?
VERY WELL, PREPARE TO BE ASTONISHED AS I DEMONSTRATE HOW TO HAVE...
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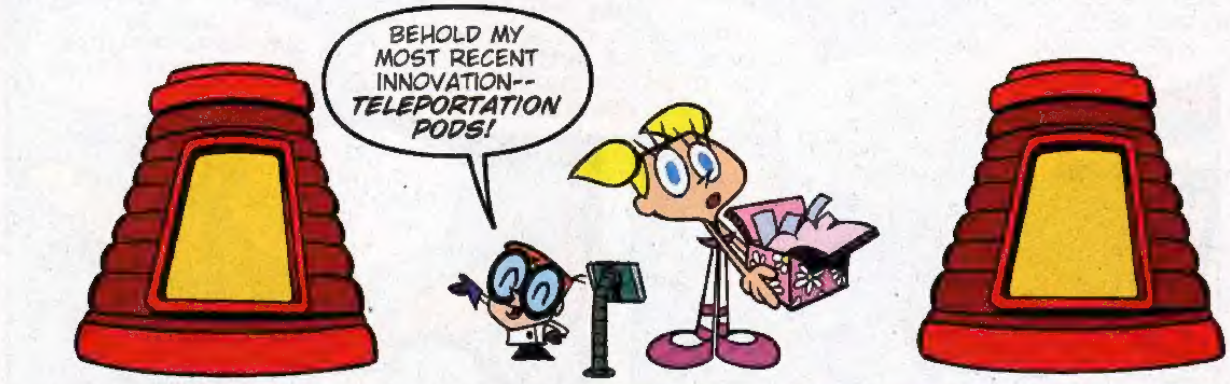
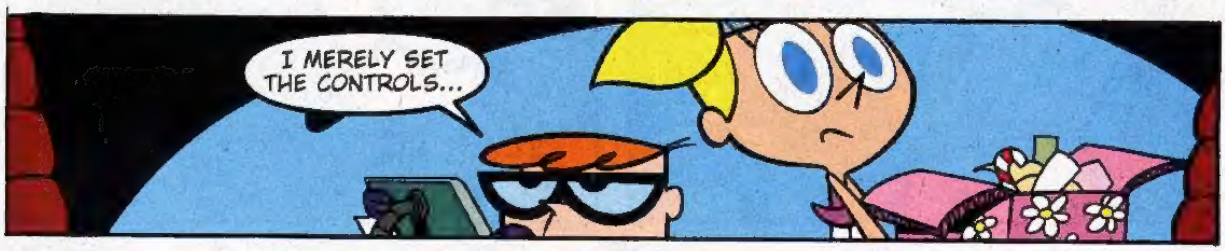
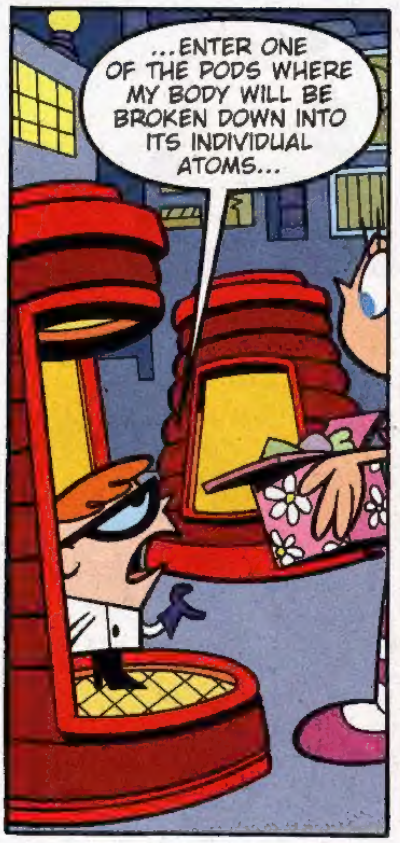
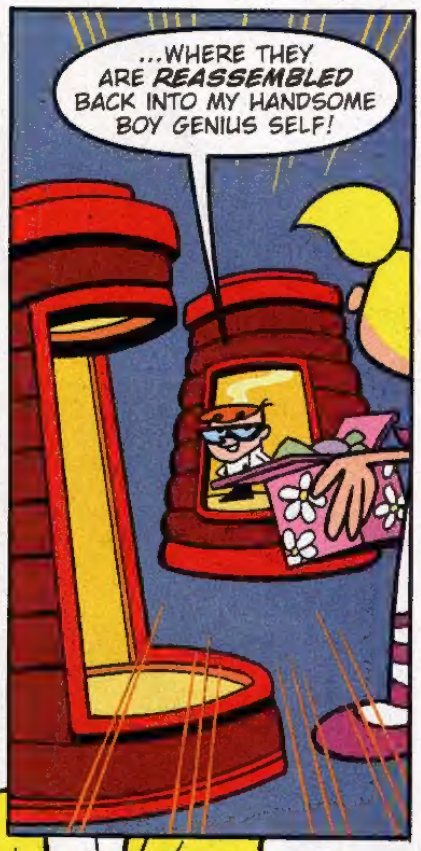

BEHOLD MY MOST RECENT INNOVATION-- TELEPORTATION PODS!


I MERELY SET THE CONTROLS...


...ENTER ONE OF THE PODS WHERE MY BODY WILL BE BROKEN DOWN INTO ITS INDIVIDUAL ATOMS...

...WHICH WILL BE BROADCAST OVER TO THE RECEIVING POD...
BAMF


...WHERE THEY ARE REASSEMBLED BACK INTO MY HANDSOME BOY GENIUS SELF!

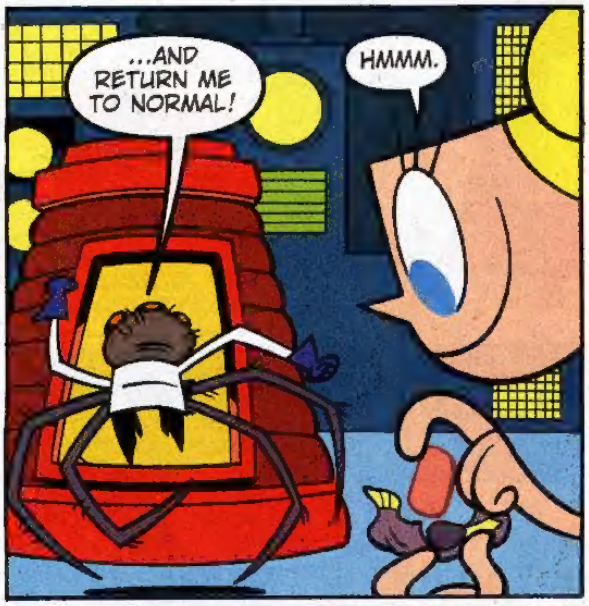
COULDN'T YOU HAVE JUST WALKED THE TEN FEET?

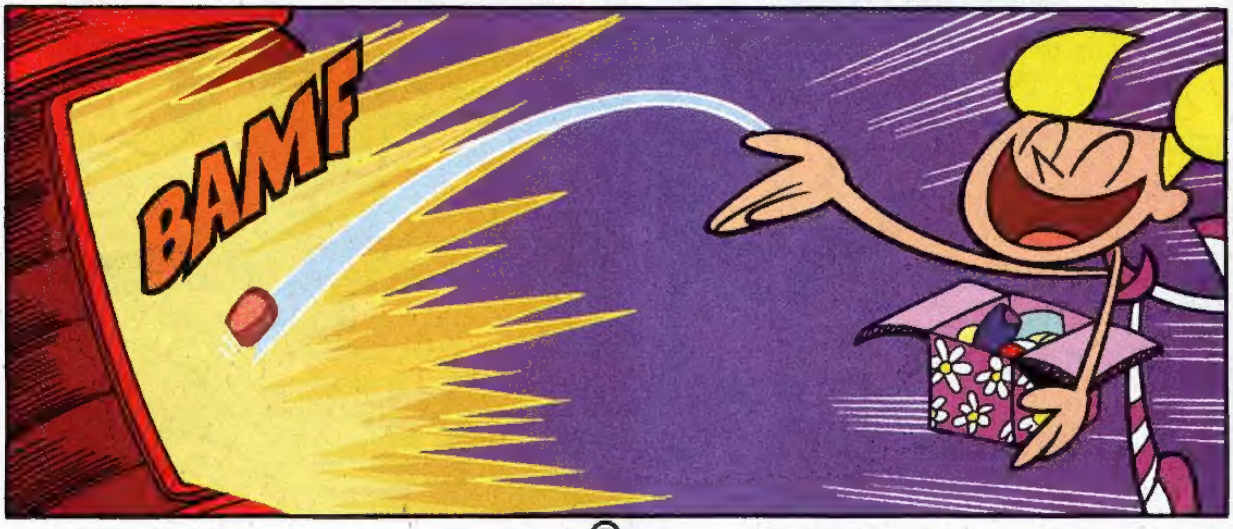
HA-HEH-HEH! DEE-DEE, YOU FAIL TO UNDERSTAND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS.
I COULD KEEP ONE POD IN MY LABORATORY AND SET UP OTHER PODS ANYWHERE!
PARIS, SAN FRANCISCO, THE SOLOMON ISLANDS, OR THE MOON -- I COULD GET TO ANY OF THOSE PLACES INSTANTANEOUSLY...
...WITHOUT HAVING TO PURCHASE AN EXPENSIVE AIRLINE TICKET.
PERHAPS A FURTHER DEMONSTRATION WILL IMPRESS YOU.
BAMF
KLK-KLK! SEE, NOTHING TO IT!

AWE WAS THE REACTION I WAS HOPING FOR --
-- BUT YOU ARE OVERPLAYING IT,DON'T YOU THINK?
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU?

IT'S NOT WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH ME, DEXTER. LOOK!
EGAD!
A SPIDER MUST HAVE CLIMBED INTO THE POD WITH ME! THE POD, PROGRAMMED FOR ONLY ONE PASSENGER, MUST HAVE MERGED OUR D.N.A!

THAT SHOULD BE SIMPLE ENOUGH TO FIX. I'LL REPROGRAM THE POD TO FILTER OUT THE SPIDER D.N.A...


...AND RETURN ME TO NORMAL!
HMMM.


BAMF

SEE?

HA-HA-HA-HA-HA
WHY ARE YOU LAUGH--
!

DEE-DEE, WHAT DID YOU DO?
HA-HA! I THREW A PIECE OF BUBBLE GUM INTO THE POD WITH YOU!

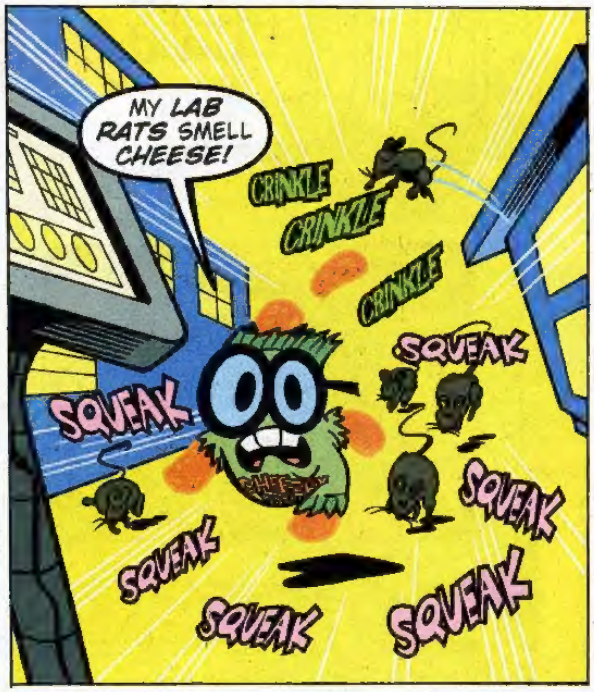
THAT IS NOT AMUSING. DON'T DO IT AGAIN!
GLOP
GLOP
GLOP

OKAY, DEXTER! I PROMISE NOT TO THROW ANY MORE BUBBLE GUM!

BAMF

HA HA HA
NOT AGAIN!
CHEEZEY DOODLEEZ

DEE-DEE, I'M WARN---
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
?
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
CHEEZEY DOODLEEZ


MY LAB RATS SMELL CHEESE!
CRINKLE
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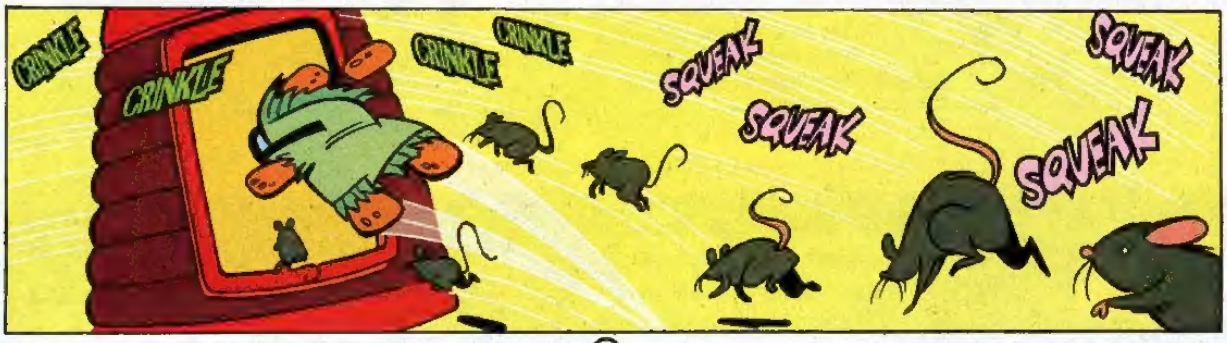
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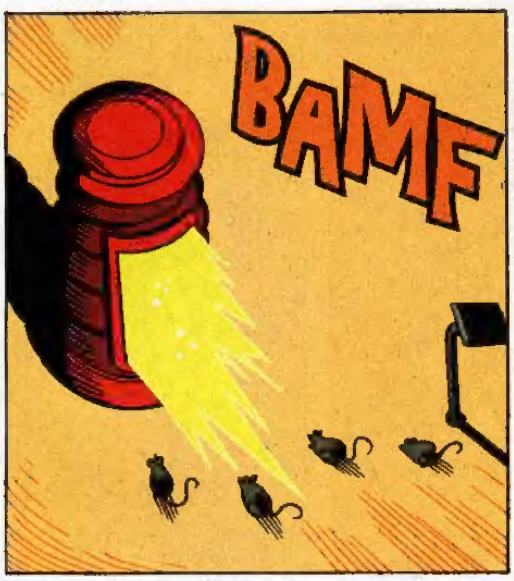
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SQUEAK SQUEAK SQUEAK SQUEAK!

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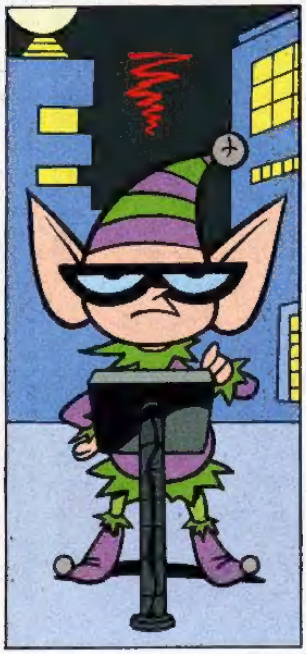

BAMF
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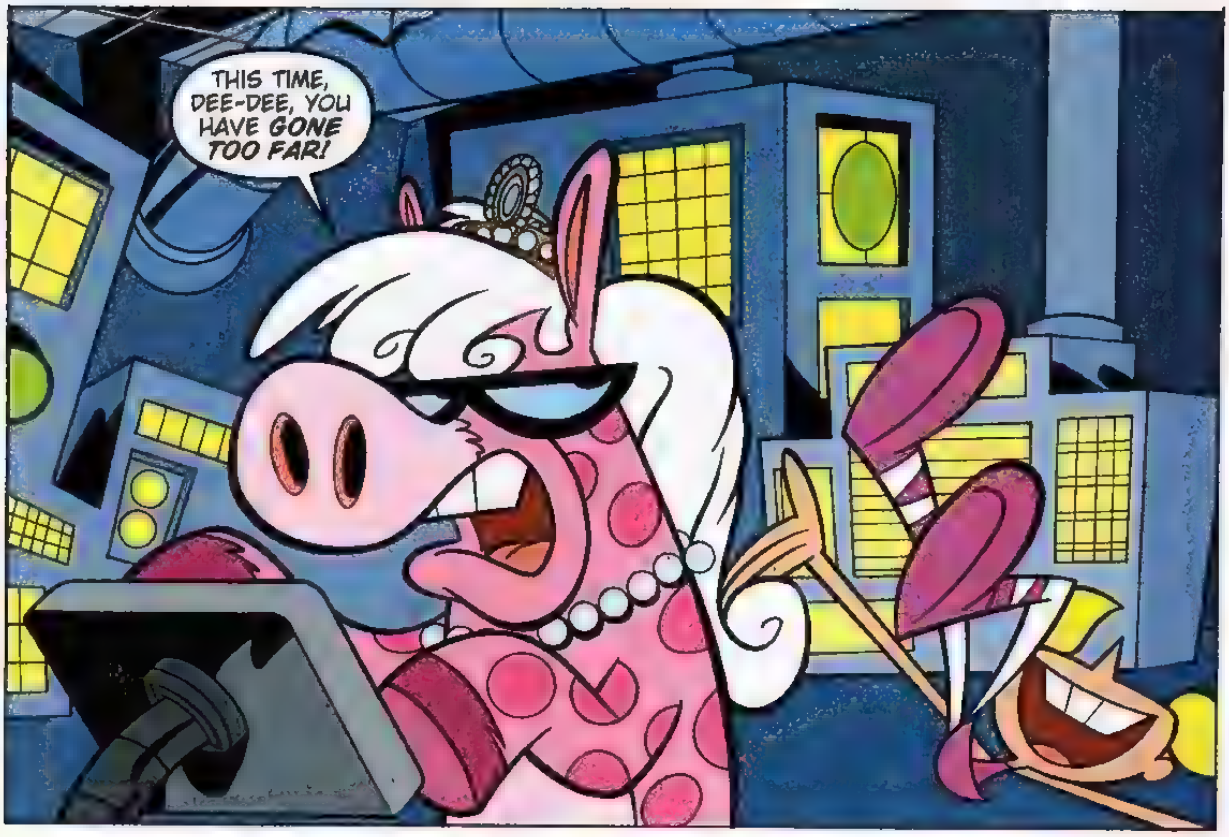
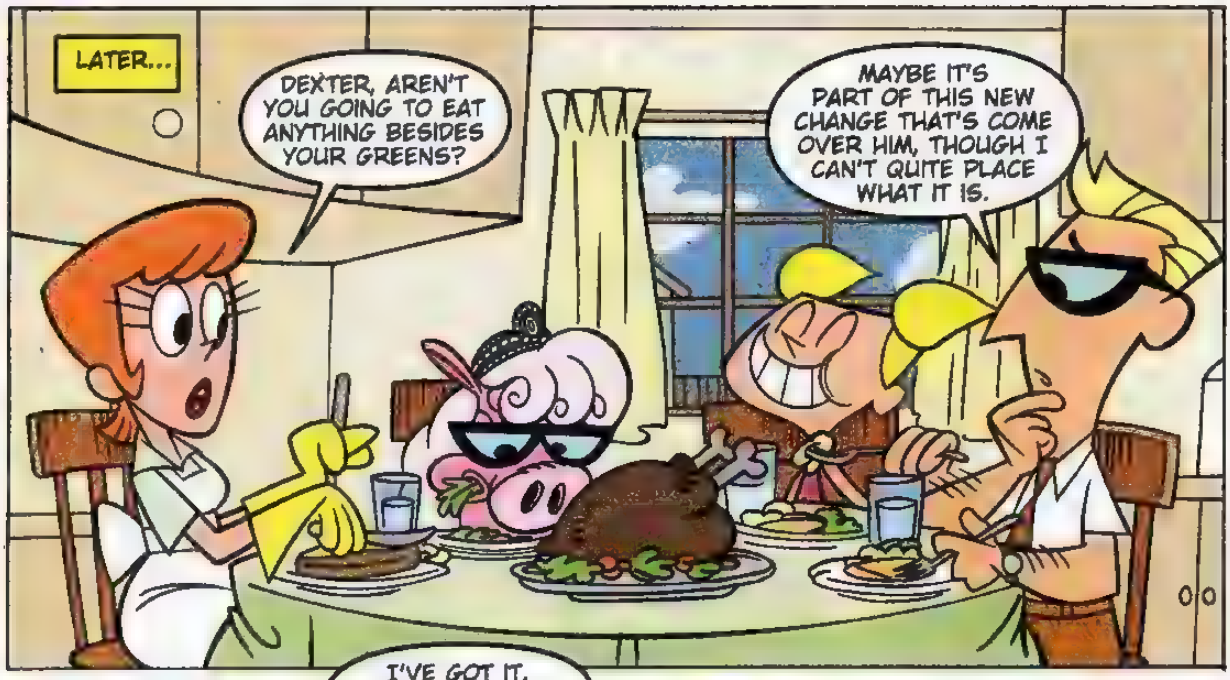
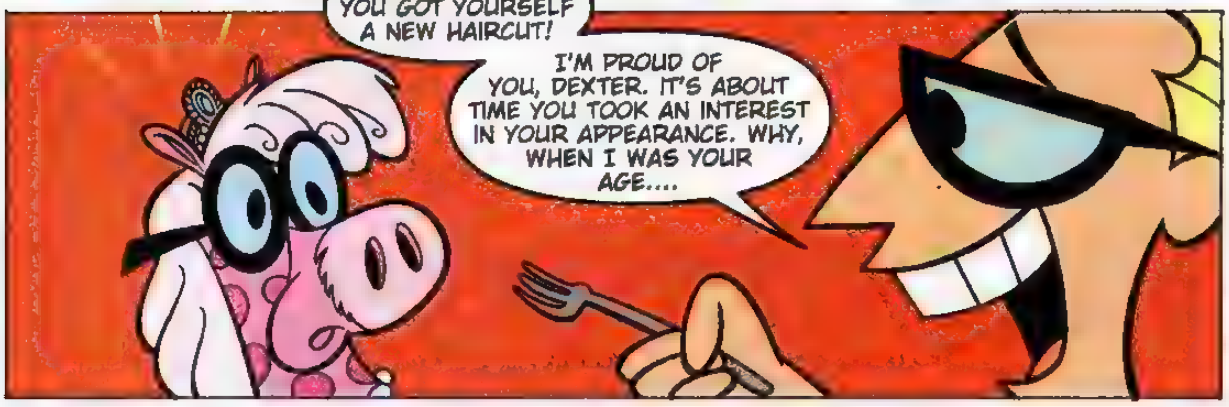
NOOOOOO!!

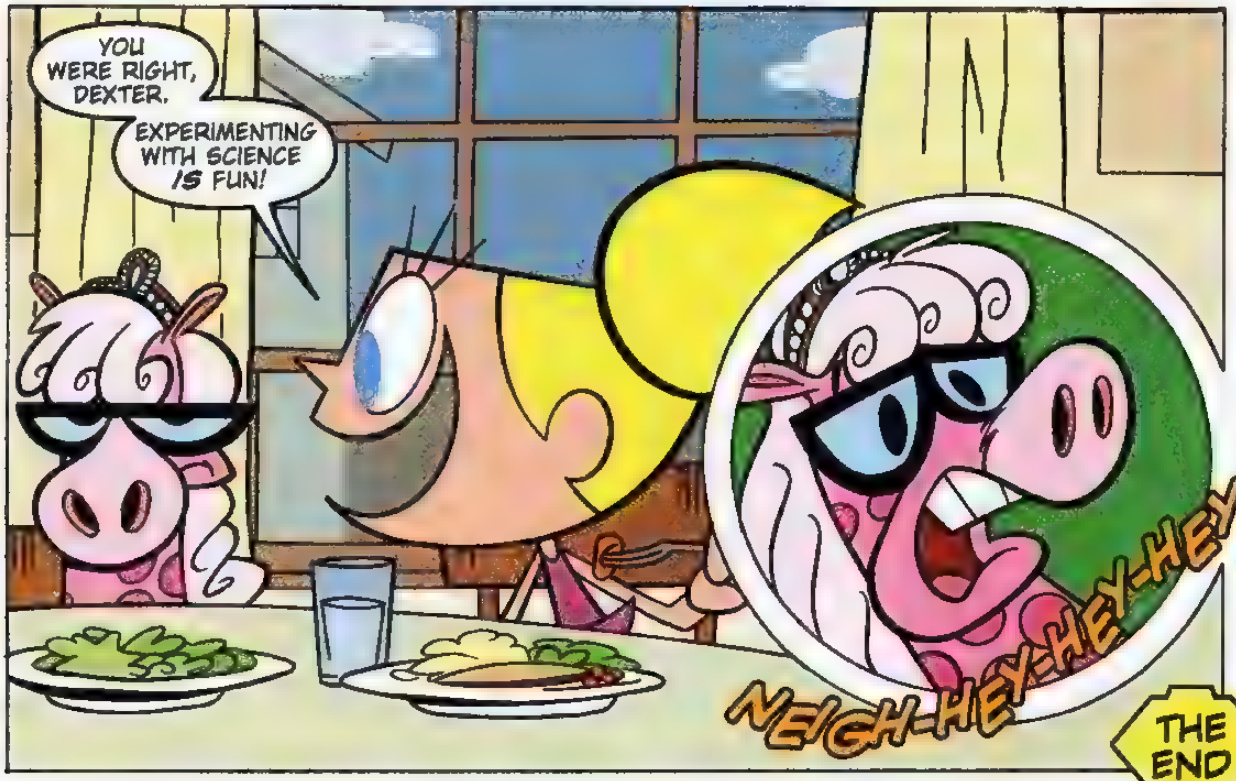

THIS TIME, DEE-DEE, YOU HAVE GONE TOO FAR!

NO! THIS CANNOT BE HAPPENING!

THE CONTROL PANEL IS OVERLOADED FROM ALL THE REPROGRAMMING. IT WILL TAKE ME WEEKS TO REPAIR--
-- MONTHS WITH THESE HOOVES!


LATER...
DEXTER, AREN'T YOU GOING TO EAT ANYTHING BESIDES YOUR GREENS?
MAYBE IT'S PART OF THIS NEW CHANGE THAT'S COME OVER HIM, THOUGH I CAN'T QUITE PLACE WHAT IT IS.


I'VE GOT IT. YOU GOT YOURSELF A NEW HAIRCUT!
I'M PROUD OF YOU, DEXTER. IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU TOOK AN INTEREST IN YOUR APPEARANCE. WHY, WHEN I WAS YOUR AGE....


YOU WERE RIGHT, DEXTER.
EXPERIMENTING WITH SCIENCE IS FUN!
NEIGH-HEY-HEY-HEY!
THE END

THE TELL TALE SQUEAK

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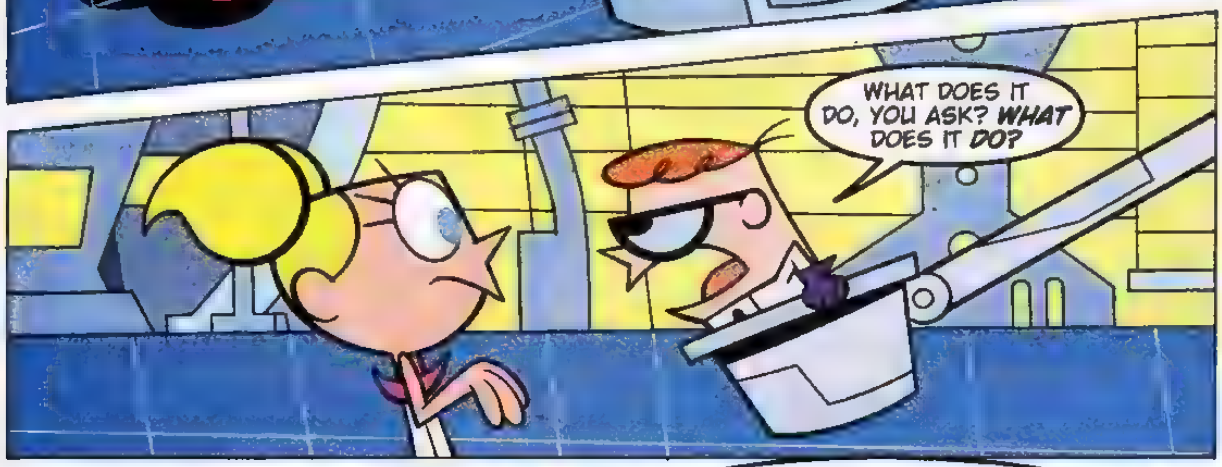
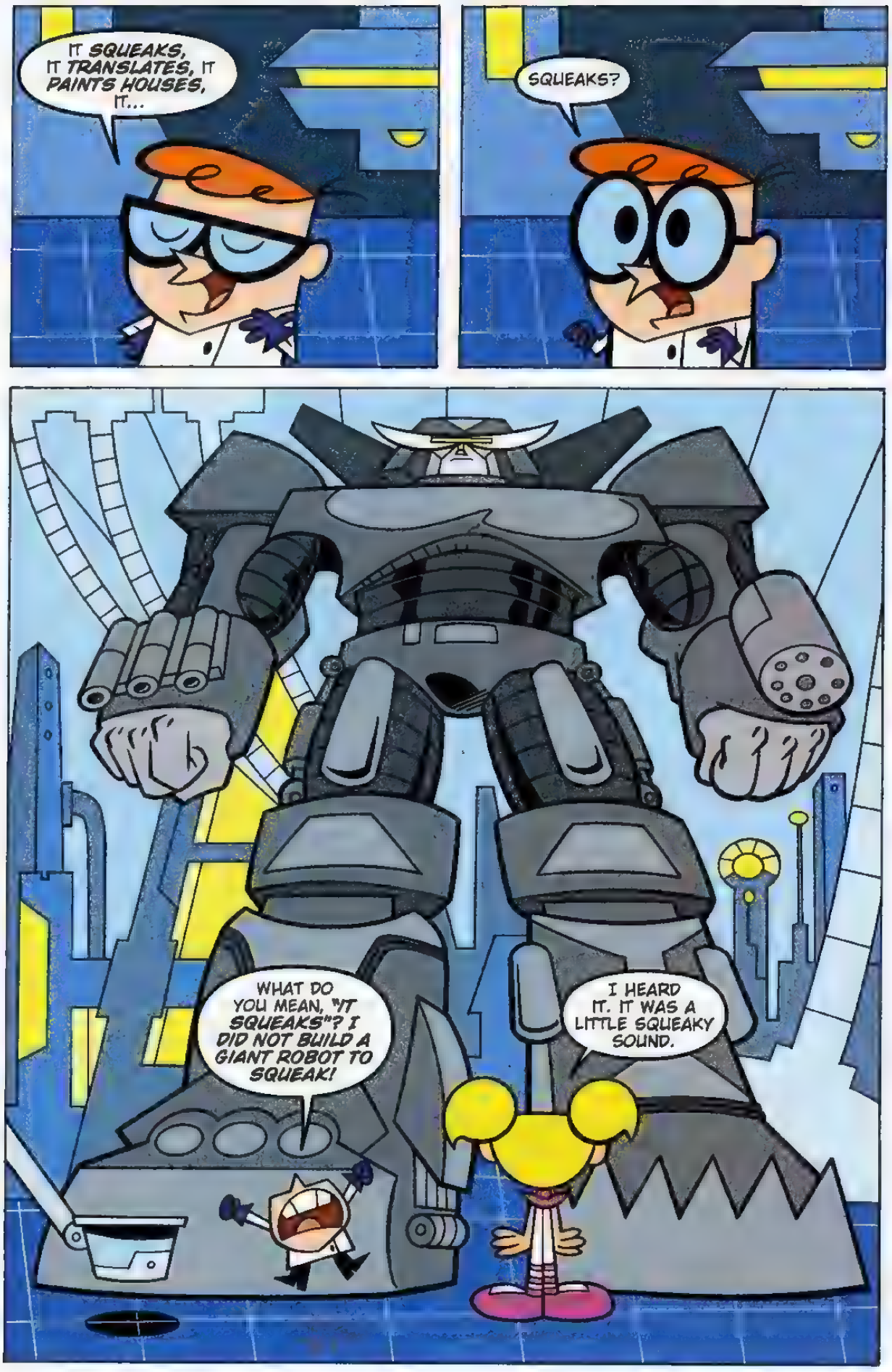
IT'S BIG ALL RIGHT, BUT WHAT DOES IT DO?
WHAT?


WHAT DOES IT DO, YOU ASK? WHAT DOES IT DO?

THE QUESTION IS, WHAT DOESN'T IT DO? THIS ROBOT, DEE-DEE, DOES MANY, MANY THINGS.

IT DOES LIFTING, BUILDING, SORTING, ARITHMETIC, AND CALCULUS WASHING AND IRONING! IT COOKS, IT FRIES, TRANSFORMS INTO A TANK, PROVIDES SHELTER, DESTROYS ARMIES!
SQUEAK
IT SQUEAKS.


IT SQUEAKS, IT TRANSLATES, IT PAINTS HOUSES, IT...
SQUEAKS?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "IT SQUEAKS"? I DID NOT BUILD A GIANT ROBOT TO SQUEAK!
I HEARD IT. IT WAS A LITTLE SQUEAKY SOUND.

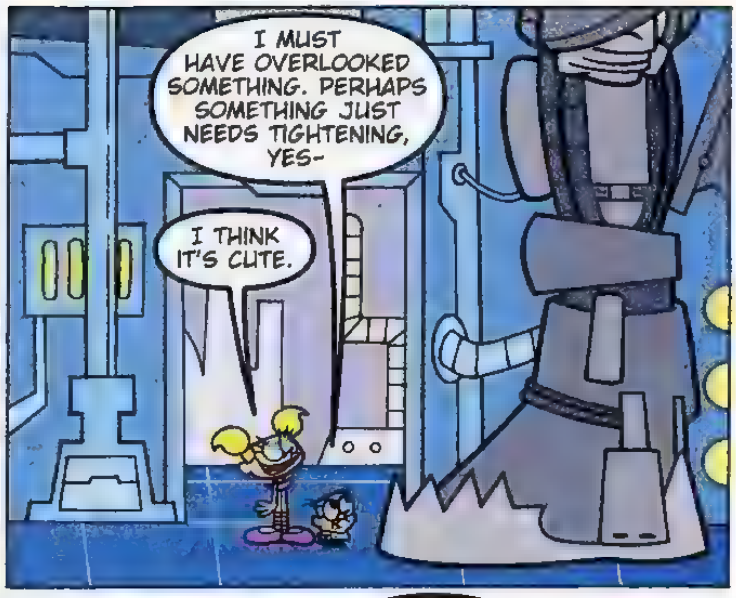
I WILL MOVE IN FOR A CLOSER LISTEN, BUT I REALLY DON'T THINK...
SQUEAK
THERE! I HEARD IT AGAIN! DID YOU HEAR IT?

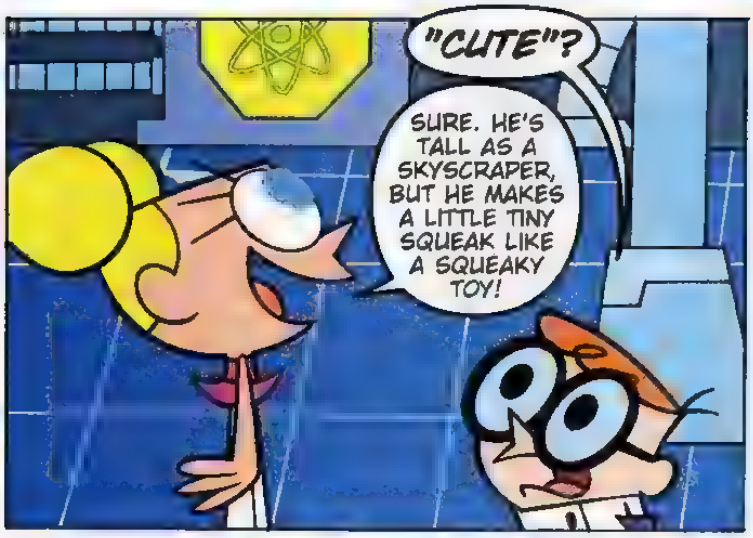
I HEARD IT.

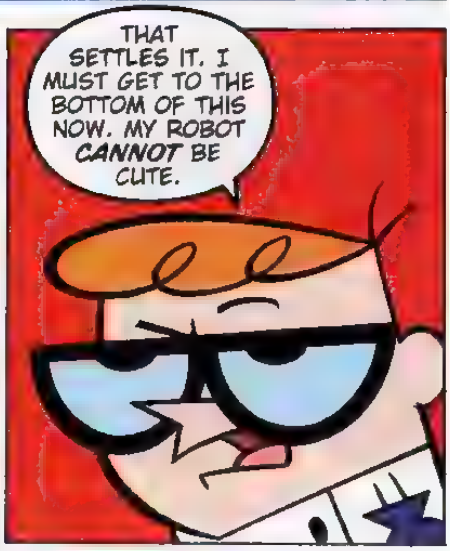
I DO NOT WANT MY GIANT ROBOT TO SQUEAK!
EASY, DEXTER.
IT'S JUST A LITTLE NOISE.

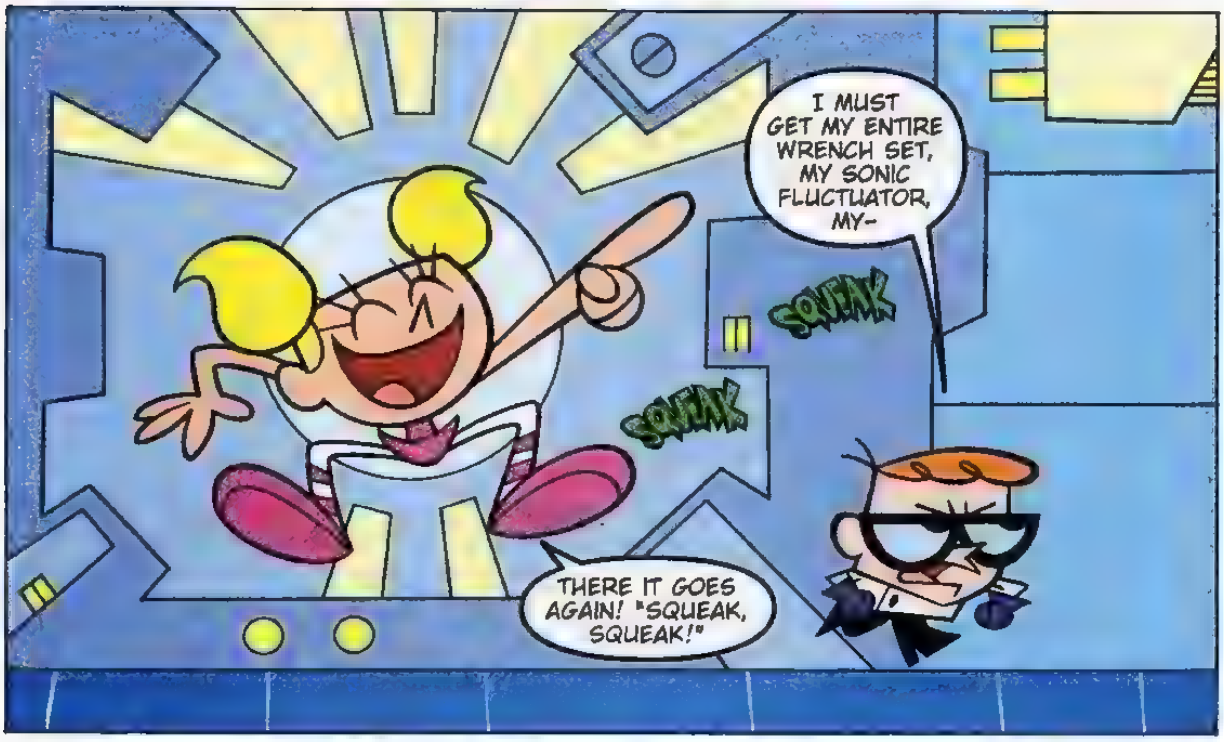
A LITTLE NOISE? IT IS JUST A LITTLE *IMPERFECTION!* I CAN'T HAVE THAT!
NO MASTERPIECE CAN BE *IMPERFECT!*

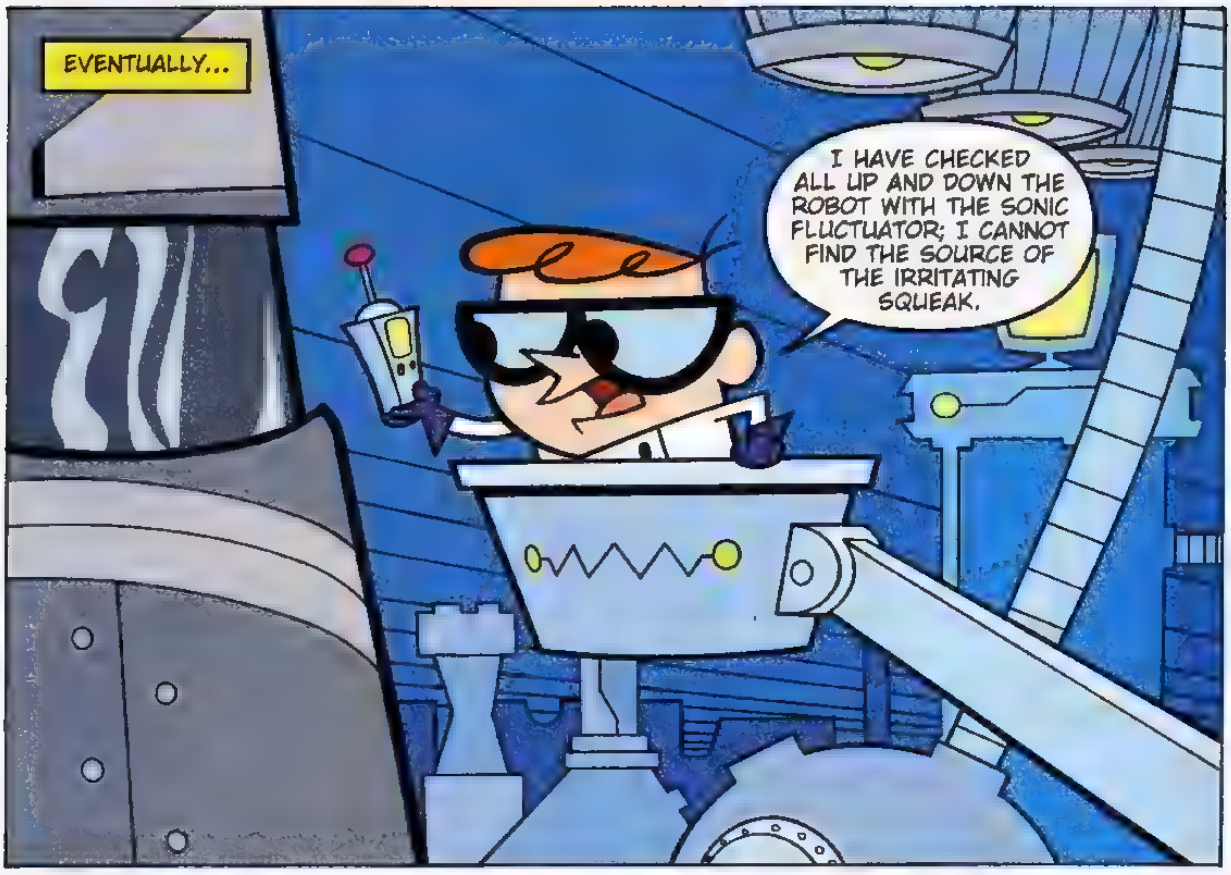
I AM DEXTER, BOY GENIUS, NOT DEXTER, BOY AMATEUR! NOT DEXTER, BOY HACK!

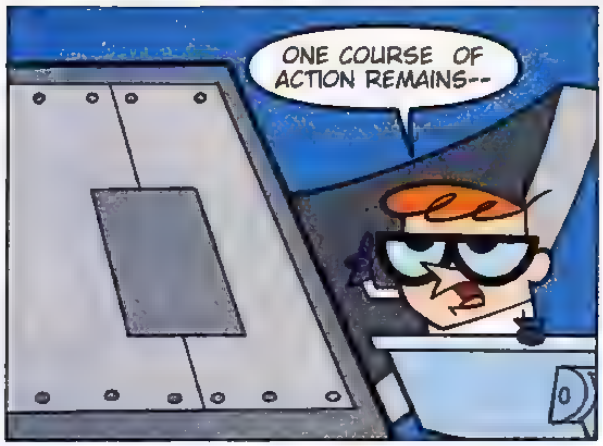

I MUST HAVE OVERLOOKED SOMETHING. PERHAPS SOMETHING JUST NEEDS TIGHTENING, YES-
I THINK IT'S CUTE.

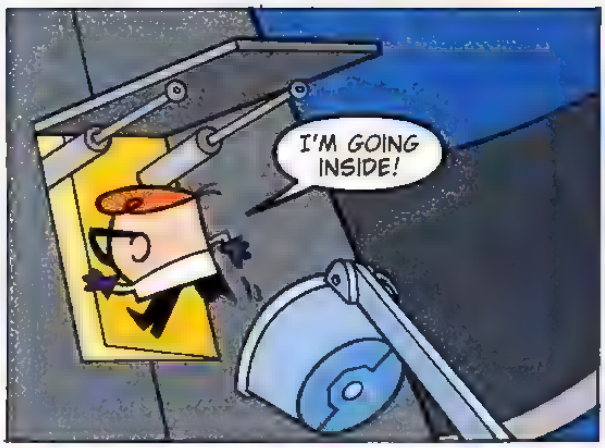

"CUTE"?
SURE. HE'S TALL AS A SKYSCRAPER, BUT HE MAKES A LITTLE TINY SQUEAK LIKE A SQUEAKY TOY!

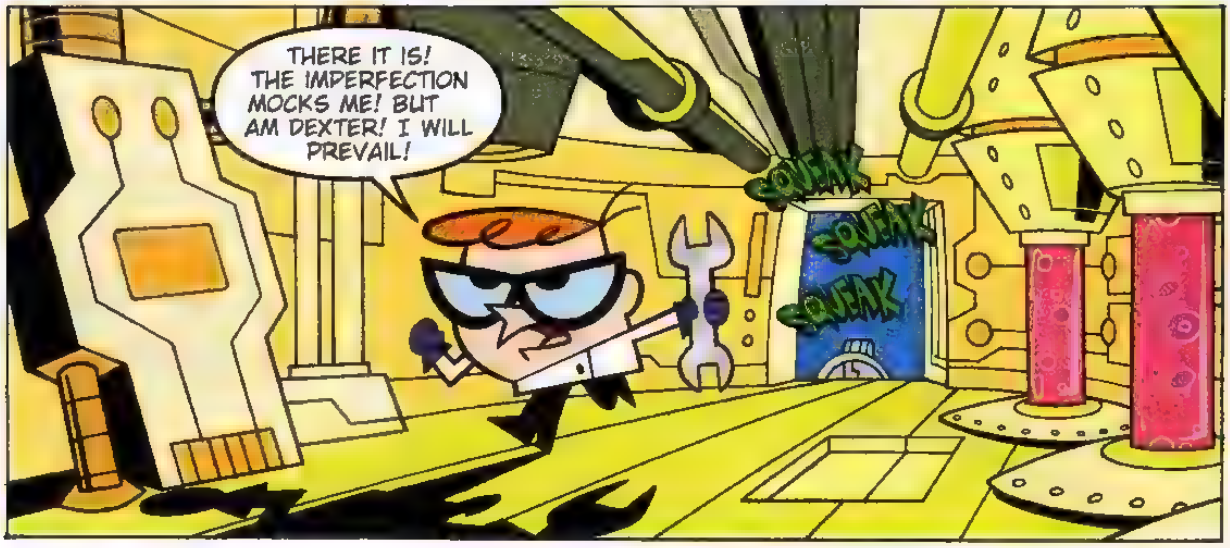

THAT SETTLES IT. I MUST GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS NOW. MY ROBOT CANNOT BE CUTE.


I MUST GET MY ENTIRE WRENCH SET, MY SONIC FLUCTUATOR, MY-
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
THERE IT GOES AGAIN! "SQUEAK, SQUEAK!"

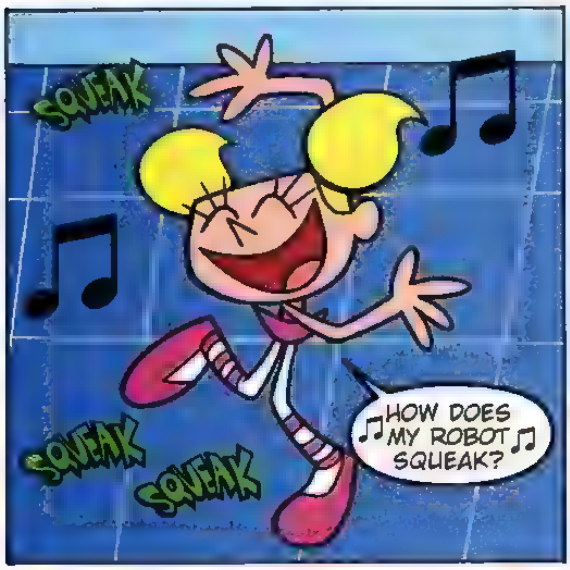

EVENTUALLY...
I HAVE CHECKED ALL UP AND DOWN THE ROBOT WITH THE SONIC FLUCTUATOR; I CANNOT FIND THE SOURCE OF THE IRRITATING SQUEAK.


ONE COURSE OF ACTION REMAINS--


I'M GOING INSIDE!


THERE IT IS! THE IMPERFECTION MOCKS ME! BUT AM DEXTER! I WILL PREVAIL!
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
SQUEAK

IS IT HERE?
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
NO, IT IS NOT HERE.
CLANG
CLANG
SQUEAK
NOT HERE.
CLANG
COULD THIS BE IT?
SQUEAK
CERTAINLY NOT THIS--
CLANG
CLANG


SQUEAK
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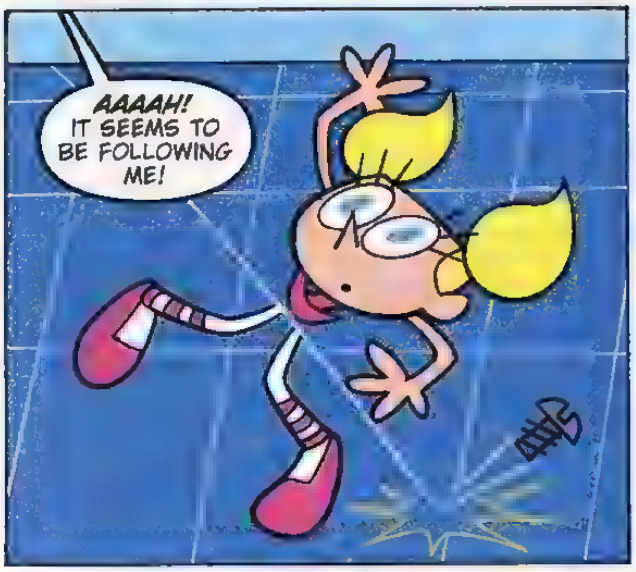
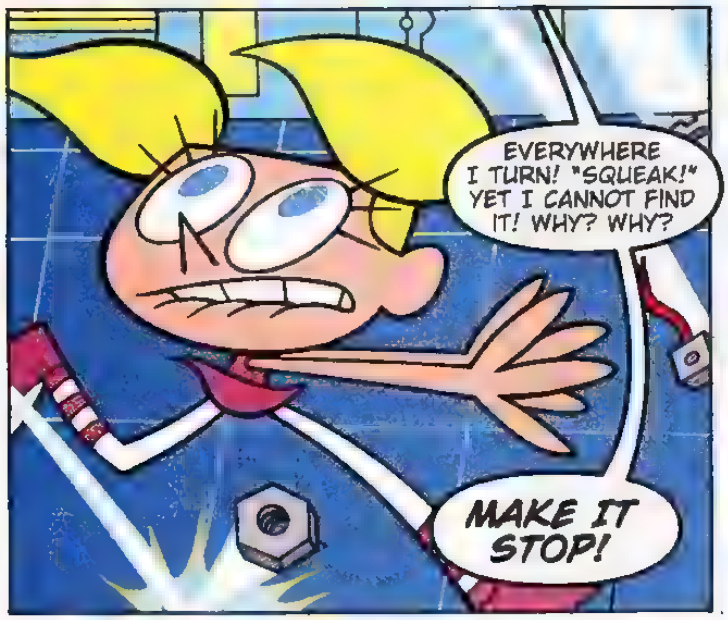
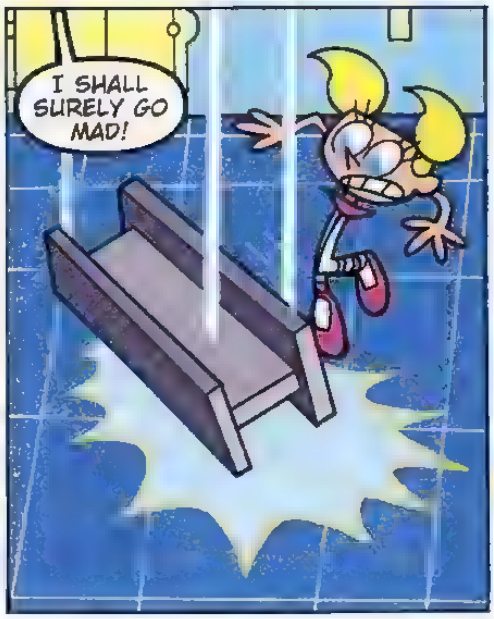
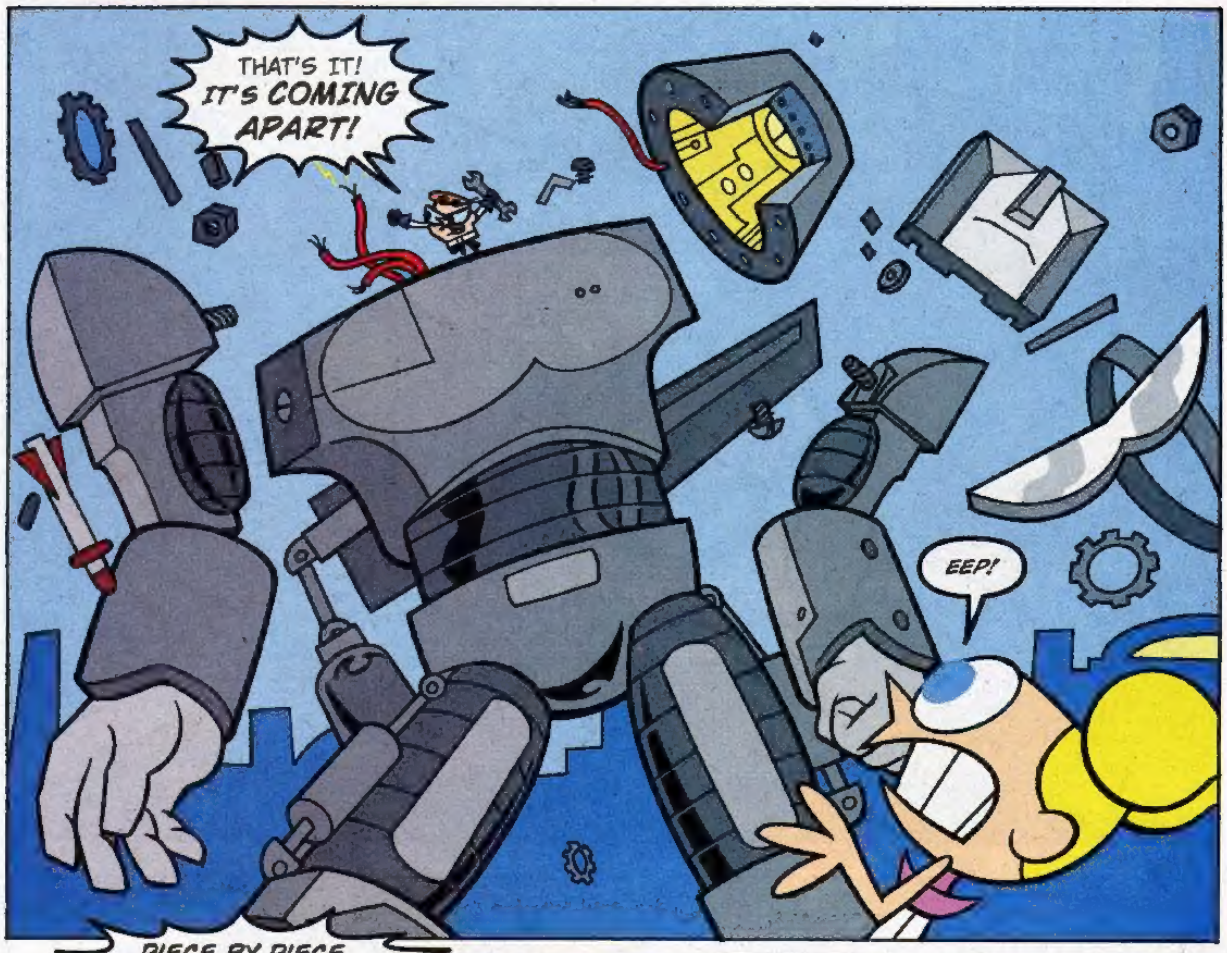
♫HOW DOES MY ROBOT SQUEAK?♫


AAAAH! IT SEEMS TO BE FOLLOWING ME!

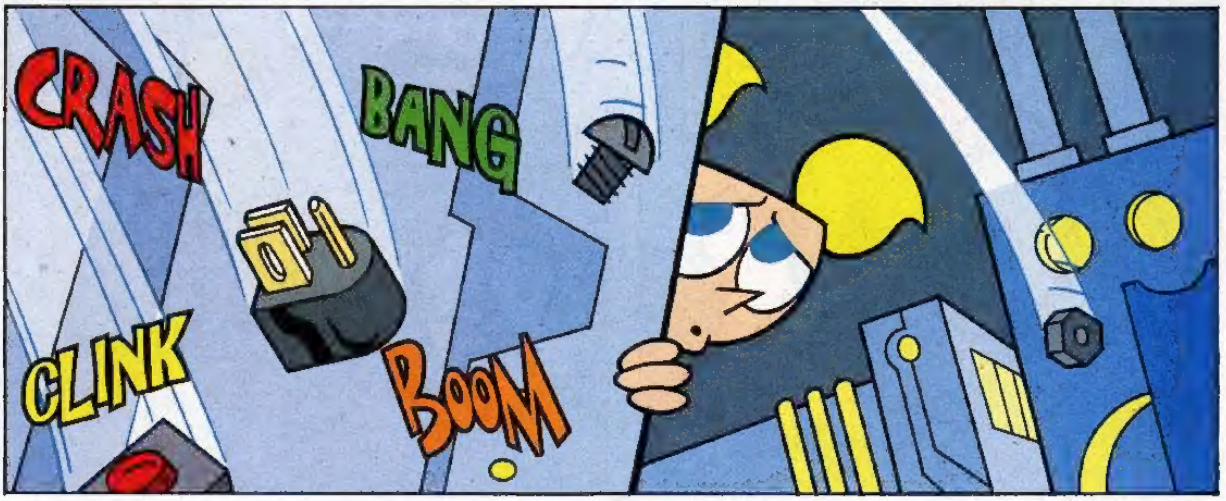

EVERYWHERE I TURN! "SQUEAK!" YET I CANNOT FIND IT! WHY? WHY?
MAKE IT STOP!

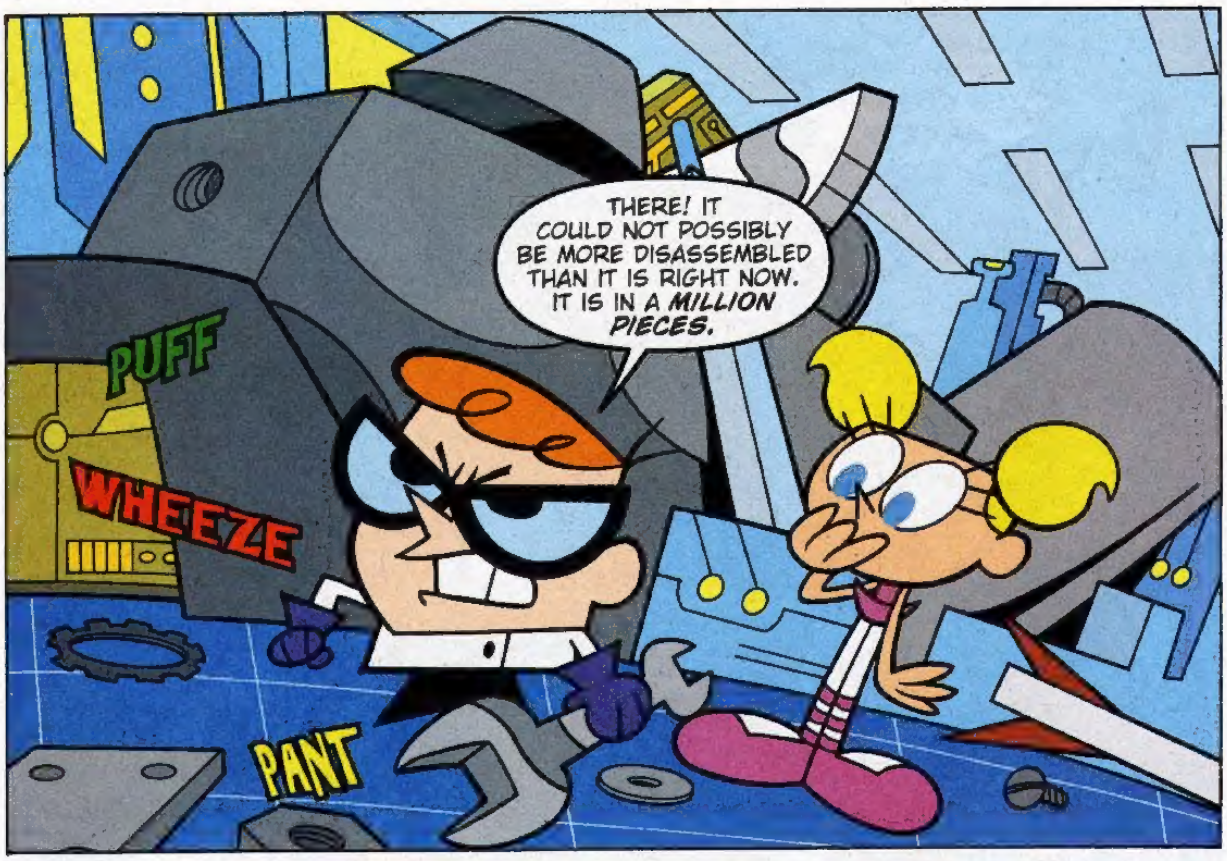

I SHALL SURELY GO MAD!

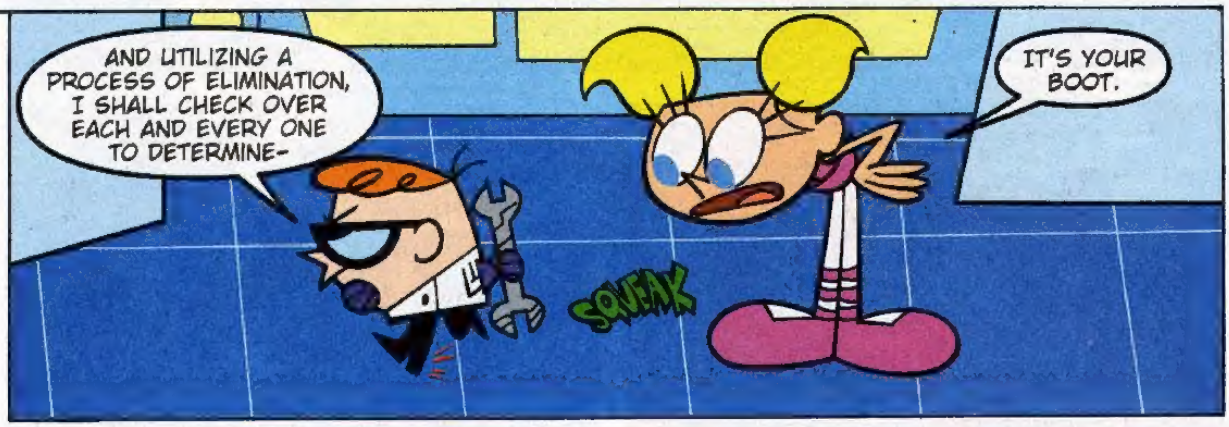

THAT'S IT! IT'S COMING APART!
EEP!

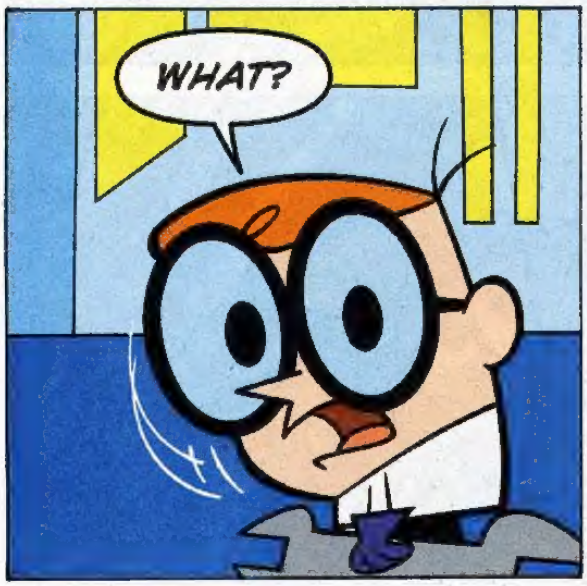
PIECE BY PIECE, PART BY PART, I WILL DISASSEMBLE THIS PILE OF JUNK...

TILL I FIND WHICH HIDDEN COMPONENT IS MAKING THIS HIDEOUS, INSIDIOUS SQUEAK!

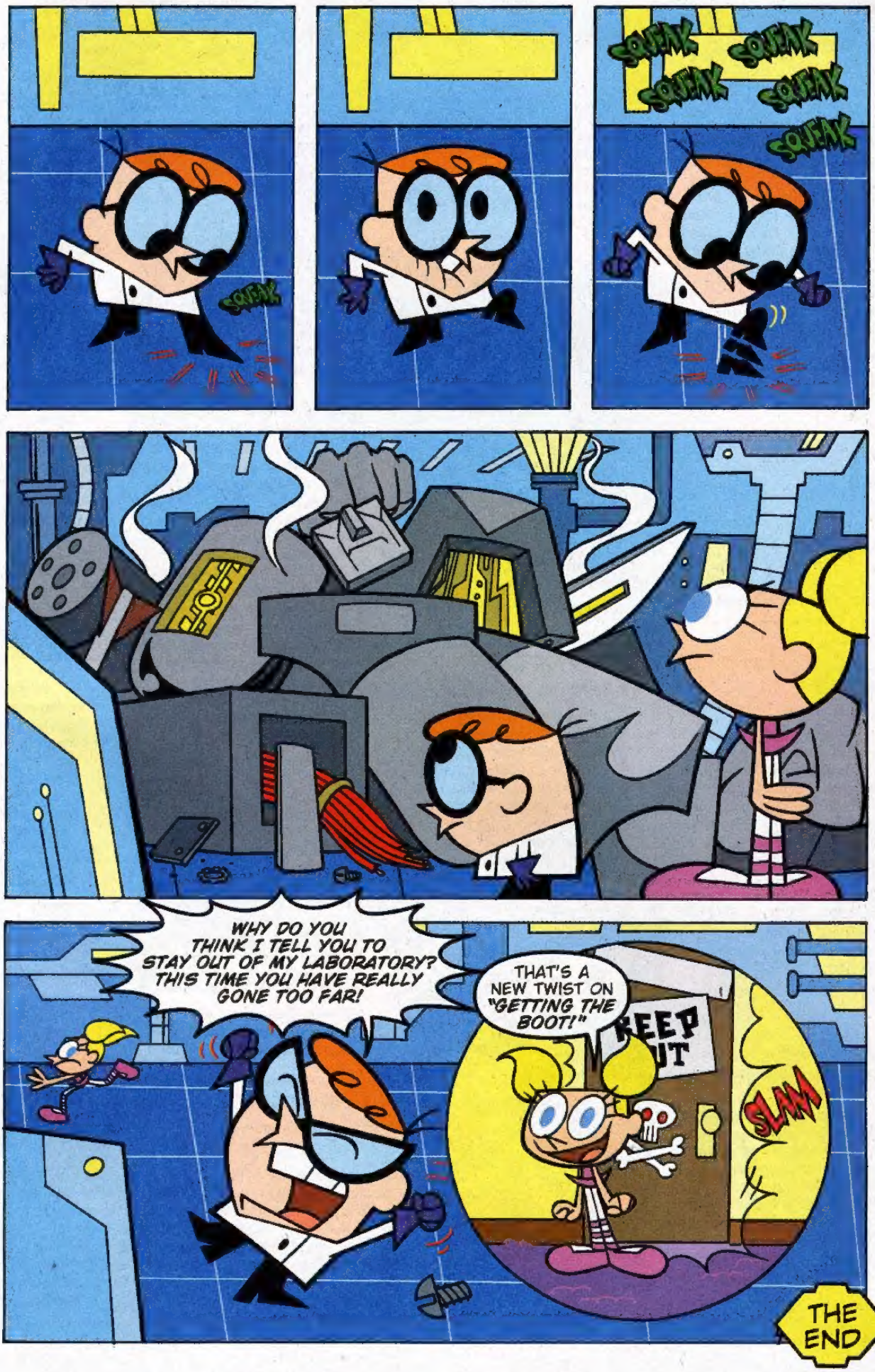

CRASH
BANG
CLINK
BOOM


THERE! IT COULD NOT POSSIBLY BE MORE DISASSEMBLED THAN IT IS RIGHT NOW. IT IS IN A *MILLION PIECES.*
PUFF
WHEEZE
PANT


AND UTILIZING A PROCESS OF ELIMINATION, I SHALL CHECK OVER EACH AND EVERY ONE TO DETERMINE-
IT'S YOUR BOOT.
SQUEAK


WHAT?

ISN'T THAT SILLY? ALL THIS TIME IT WASN'T THE ROBOT AT ALL, IT WAS YOUR BOOT!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WHY DO YOU THINK I TELL YOU TO STAY OUT OF MY LABORATORY? THIS TIME YOU HAVE REALLY GONE TOO FAR!
THAT'S A NEW TWIST ON "GETTING THE BOOT!"
KEEP OUT
SLAM
THE END

LET THE MAIL BEGIN!

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The Dexter's Laboratory
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JOHN LANGAN
LIMA, OH

Dear DEXTER'S LABORATORY,

I think you should make more merchandise of Dexter's Lab. Just last night I saw the episode "Critical Gas." That one is my favorite! I have written to you before; in fact, my favorite comic is "SuperDex!"

Please put my picture in this time! Keep up the good work! I also like your cartoon station! I also have every comic!

Art by John Langan, 9 years old.

ATTICUS CONNERS
BREWSTER, NY

Dear Genndy,

I really enjoy your show and your comics. I think you have a very creative mind. I've always enjoyed science and DEXTER'S LABORATORY. Were you ever a science person when you were a kid? I would like to ask you a question. May I be a character in your show? I could be Dexter's assistant. My whole family likes DEXTER'S LABORATORY, and we hope you keep making more new episodes and comics of DEXTER'S LABORATORY.

Actually, Genndy has always been fascinated with cartoons — even more so than science.

As for Dexter's assistants, they never seem to work out. They always end up either running for their lives during "high risk" experiments, getting lost in his laboratory for weeks at a time, spying for Mandark, being late for meetings, teleported to another time period, driven crazy, or becoming just plain evil.

That's why Dexter just makes his own assistants. All they require is occasional maintenance, although he sure could have used one this issue. You don't wear squeaky shoes... do you?

coming in october:

Dexter's Laboratory #32

The whole family goes camping with a little help from Dexter's natureproof tent! Plus, it's a shock when Dexter's rival Mandark turns into a jock! **Written by Robbie Busch & John Rozum; art by Gary Fields, Scott Roberts & Jeff Albrecht; cover by Bill Wray.**

Other DC Kids' Titles:

Looney Tunes #93: The late, great animator Chuck Jones gets a Looney salute in a moving Coyote-Roadrunner tale. Plus, Bugs Bunny battles a rodeo bull and plays his one-millionth dirty trick on Elmer! **Written by Dan Slott, Bill Matheny and Barry Liebmann; art by David Alvarez, John Beatty, Walter Carzon and Horacio Ottolini; cover by Alvarez & Mike DeCarlo.**

Scooby-Doo #63: *"The Dragon's Eye"* continues! Scooby-Doo and the gang bushwhack through the jungles of India, trailing the criminal who's stealing the far-flung pieces of the Dragon's Eye jewel — but the monstrous guardians of the jungle are on *their* trail! Plus, a biplane-barnstorming banshee terrorizes Shaggy's family farm! **Written by John Rozum and Robbie Busch; art by Joe Staton, Horacio Ottolini, Anthony Williams and Jeff Albrecht; cover by Staton and Dave Hunt.**

The Powerpuff Girls #29: Tuckered-out Townsville wants to take a holiday — but HIM's the center of the big celebration! Plus, who's afraid of the Closet Monster? Definitely not Buttercup — that is, until the Closet Monster actually shows up! **Written by Ian Boothby and Abby Denson; art by Ricardo Garcia Fuentes and Mike DeCarlo; cover by Phil Moy.**

Bill Wray has done it again for this month's cover, with colors and separations by Zylonol.

next month:

Cartoon Cartoons #13
SPACE GHOST COAST TO COAST

Space Ghost decides it's his lucky day, and nothing's gonna change his mind about it — not even Zorak's violent efforts to prove otherwise. Plus, Brak interviews people on the street, asking the blissfully stupid questions that only Brak can ask! This is going to cause problems when he tries to interview an angry cosmic villain! **Written by Will Pfeifer, Jennifer Moore & Sean Carolan; art by Matt Jenkins, Robert Pope, Dan Davis and Dave Hunt; cover by C. Martin Croker.**

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